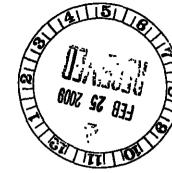


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February 3, 2009

Vernon A Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
U.S. Department of Transportation 400 Seventh Street S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re Docket No AB-565 (Sub-No 2X), New York Central Lines, LLC-Abandonment Exemption-in Middlesex County, MA

Docket No AB-55 (Sub-No 594X), CSX Transportation, Inc -Discontinuation of Service Exemption-in Middlesex County, MA

Dear Secretary Williams

I am writing to convey the Town of Sherborn and the Town of Holliston's request for and support of a one-year extension of time in the above-referenced proceedings to February 28, 2010, to allow completion of the negotiation process among CSXT and the towns of Holliston and Sherborn for trail use of the approximately 4 17 miles of railroad between milepost QBH-2 60 near Sherborn and milepost QBH-6 77 near Holliston

We also want to confirm our continued interest in establishing a trail use for the property proposed for abandonment and express our willingness to negotiate with CSXT and the Town of Sherborn

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Very truly vous

✓Paul D Le Beau
Town Administrator

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Town of Sherborn Holliston Trails Committee